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THE LITTLE BROTHER

When I lie on the grass sometimes,
And look up in the sky,
I think of such a lot of rhymes
To tell her by and by—
To tell my Mother, dear, I mean,
She loved to see birds fly,
But when she looks I've often seen
The sad tears in her eye.

I like to see the swallow skim
And turn and gleam and glance:
Oh, dear, if I had wings like him
I'd fly away to France,
I had a brother out in France,—
So brave he was, and true,
On man-made wings he took his chance
And did what was to do.

Now Mother cannot bear to see
The birds that skim and fly,
Instead she nods her head to me
With sad tears in her eye.

REGINALD J. CAMPBELL

he ministry of R. J. Campbell of London Eng-
l, at the First Congregational Church has
ught to San Francisco a cultured and scholarly
sage which has been widely appreciated. When
vas known that Dr. Campbell had been induced
come to this country from his London pulpit
ll Dr. Gordon's vacation season the popular in-
st which was created was very great. Certain-
one have been disappointed who have sat under
magic spell of his preaching.

ome evinced curiosity as to the probable scope
is message, and Dr. Campbell was not long in
ealing his ideas. More as a mystic than as an
a modern pulpit orator, he aims to make an
eal which shall touch the very foundations of
al and religious thought. One feature of the
istry has been the large number of the clergy
ll denominations who have been in attendance.
r. Campbell has shown his willingness to meet
modern spirit, however, by taking up the ques-
and answer method of handling the Wednesday evening meetings; this not being new to him, however, as he pursued something of the same method with the soldiers in France. On the whole, First Church feels that in having made available this opportunity for a wide hearing of this message from beyond the sea, it has done a real service to the religious advancement of the Bay region.

Sunday School Library
Berkeley, Calif.

THE JOY OF READING

Bishop Quayles' little volume is a fine illustration of its own title—a "book that is a delight." We should read, he insists, just for the fun of it. In fact, that is the only way to get out of any book what its author has put into it. "Lots of us never know how to do anything for fun." Not even eating! "We will now eat, the Lord being our helper," say they.

Nor must we read critically, to get the best from books. "I have always discovered that the less people knew the better critics they were."

The lure of the book, and the delight of the book,—these two run through every bright sententious spicy page of this booklet. The writer has a fascinating fashion of now and again leading you off into some tempting by-path of philosophy, but just before you come to the end of it, he brings you back with the turn of a phrase to the main highway.

He has himself read much, and always with joy; so is he a good interpreter and a better stimulator.

("Books as a Delight," by Bishop Qualye; paper; pp. 42. The Abington Press, New York City.)

The Presbyterian Church Erection Board has during the past year assisted in the construction of 148 church buildings, 84 parsonages, 7 church houses at educational centers, 10 buildings for foreigners in America, and 20 buildings for negroes. The appropriations of the Board for all these was a little over one million dollars.

The Pope says: "Today the two worst evils are an insatiable avidity to possess worldly goods, and an unquenchable thirst for pleasure."

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THE LITTLE HOUSES

I love the little houses
On a newly opened street,
Where rosy wives with a child or two
Their homing husbands greet.

Where toys are on the new front steps
And a baby cart chokes the hall,
Where velocipedes are the only cars,
And like birds the children call.

The little house is a house of hope
And of love and faith also.
There's a busy hum in it all day long,
And the hours like moments go.

The stately house has all achieved,
It is dull and weary too,
But the little house is aglow with dreams
That may, perchance, come true.

ANARCHY AND VIOLENCE CONDEMNED.

It is to the credit of California, and especially of Turlock, that in spite of the Anti-Japanese feeling rife in this State, the forcible deportation of the Japanese has not been tolerated by the public. Whatever may be said for or against the presence of the Japanese in our land, and whatever feeling there may be here that whites should be employed in preference to the Japanese, it promises well that the universal mind protests the action of that Turlock mob.

It looks now as if it were not a Turlock mob; but a gang of floaters, men who are likely to come into any community and bring for a time upon that community a certain disgrace. Turlock has taken the right stand, only let her officers ferret out the law-breakers and further redeem her good name.

A KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CROWD.

It was the fortune—whether ill or good—of the editor to be marooned on a train for two hours in the midst of a throng of K. C. excursionists. There were old men and young, old women and young, and girls a-plenty. They were a jolly crowd and whiled away the waiting hours with congenial sport.

It was not Protestant sport. For there were songs and jests and stories of more than a shady nature. The atmosphere of the occasion was more suited to some third-rate barroom; and the greatest applause and laughter greeted the more unsavory offerings. The query of the observing Protestant was, "Is this the sort of thing the Roman Catholic church trains its people for?"

Evidently this Church-crowd had little respect for the church. For there was not a little ridicule of the priest, and more of the confessional. The whole thing, with perhaps one or two exceptions, would be taboo in any just ordinarily decent society, not to say religious. If the church of these people can do no more than this for its constituency, it were time for the Protestants to undertake their saving.

A DAY OF JUDGMENT.

The public is hoping that growing out of the strike conditions about the Bay a new freedom will come to the workingman himself.

The Union man has not been free; by the confession of not a few he has been under the heel of a tryanny by the Union more dreadful than he has ever suffered from his employer. Those who are familiar with the Labor Council and its methods, know somewhat the handicap of the Union man.

But the non-Union man is also a workingman, and has all the rights of any man, and of those rights he has been robbed. No organization has a right to say to him that he shall not work unless he becomes a member of their order and submits to their regulations.

The American Plan of the Builders' Exchange is truly American: for that reason every true American ought to hope and think and give if need be to see it prevail as the plan for all work—not merely in this Bay region but in the whole land.

THE CHURCH AT CERES.

Rev. George E. Atkinson, the pastor, took an autofull of his young people to the C. E. Convention at Glendale. Two other members plan to attend the Mount Hermon C. E. School and Conference. The pastor has been appointed Pastoral Counsellor for the Stanislaus-Merced County Union.

In spite of hot weather the church audiences are keeping up very well. At the prayer meeting one evening, with the thermometer at 110, fully 25 per cent of the church membership was present. One of the members has presented electric fans for the church, and largely through his efforts the church has secured a fine Motiograph, and now every Saturday evening furnishes free movies for the community.

OUR VITAL NEED—MINISTERS

By Peter A. Simpkin

It is a present and pressing problem, this need more ministers for the pulpits of Congregationism. For decades past our church has failed to oduce from within its own ranks a sufficing volne of life that would turn to the sacrifice and gh dignity of the ministry.

One must recognize the large contribution Congretionalism has made to moral, educational and soal leadership, as many of its youth have felt the peal of these open doors of secondary ministry the world. A developing civilization will mulply them. A factor, not negligible, in its inhibions has lain in the material narrowness of minterial reward, but it lies beyond the argument now. Sacrifice and prophethood have never been apart, r does one think they will be to the end. It ust not be forgotten that all this secondary serce is finally pendant upon the maintenance of the imary passion and sacrifice of a ministry of evanlisation and illumination.

The problem has a spiritual rooting. Our Conegational homes are still blest with a sufficing easure of young life, but they lack the great pason.

Parenthood is at fault. In former days the wonrful women of Congregationalism yearned for the nor of mothering God's prophets. In the New ngland home and in those of the Western Reserve, d in later pioneer fields, the glory of the home as the sending of son and daughter out to pulpit d mission fields. Very many biographies and urnals of great ministers witness to the fact that e-natal thought and purpose were elements derminist in calling and conviction. Across the sea e passion survives to the women of this generaon, and so widely spread is it, that Great Britain d Ireland have a supply of ministers alike for otestant and Catholic churches in America.

This America still has mothers a-plenty, who seek desire of prayer that the little life may be uched of His spirit, be one of His "sent ones." ut there are not enough of them. Every mother ould be the priestess of this holy passion that ould bring to birth sons and daughters with souls lame to do the service of the King.

The crass, lame comprehension of some Hebraic others was still noble, fully in line too with biogic law as we come dimly to sense it. God comes t on invitation and trust to the filling out of all ble desire. Surely can be in the great heart of im no desire more poignant in face of world eds than for life dedicate to His witness.

We over-emphasize the seeming paralysis of wer in the pulpit. The soul of the world is still mb from the reaction of the struggle tremendous. ne ministry may seem to have a less important ace in the new, free life from which surviving medieval compulsions pass, but it is an evanescent seeming; for God, not man, ordained the foolishness of preaching. All effort to substitue for it will be temporary and will fail.

In the Home training lies a part of the solution. The modern habit of soft, sentimental non-interference, the over-stress of child right to autonomy, the failure to train and discipline are calamitous in effect upon high choices.

The Christian home must know again more widely the culture of simple living and high thinking, must urge aversion from soft luxury and material dreams, must present to its unfolding lives the glory of that life sacrificial which finds its rewards in the fuller knowing and better doing of God's will in the earth. Neither the home where lives anarchy in non-discipline nor that where hedonism has its altar-fire can give prophets and priestesses to the world.

Upon the other hand, no blossom on the family tree is so fragrant, no fruit so sweet and desirable, as those which are of purpose grown to bless and feed the soul of the time.

Our children dedicated to Christ and jealously trained in loving patience for Him and men is a present and pressing task.

A COMPANION OF JESUS

It needs but one little circumstance to make this charming book—"By an Unknown Disciple"—almost a part of the New Testament writings; and that is, to have it discovered in some monastery in Arabia by some well-known scholar of the Church —with its parchment stained with age and mutilated by neglect, with marginal notations and corrections at the hand of devout readers and scribes.

Could some later Tischendorf in some other convent on Mount Sinai have stayed the ignorant hands of a monk from kindling the fire with these precious leaves; could the news have been flashed over the glad world that another great "find" had been made, that another Fourth Century manuscript of the New Testament record had been rescued out of the wreckage of time: with what avidity would this little volume be seized and studied and almost worshipped by multitudes of later disciples.

But this is no Fifth Gospel. It is not a duplication of Matthew and Mark and Luke; nor is it written like them. But many a lover of the New Testament will be grateful to the unknown author for his elucidating contribution to the knowledge of the times of the Master, and especially for bringing the real Jesus so close to our Occidental thought.

The story is written as if by one, not in the recognized circle of the disciples, who yet was a true friend of Jesus, and though a patrician in loving sympathy with his unique mission.

The author has peculiar qualifications for this writing—a charming style, simple, dignified and re-

alistic; an intimate acquaintance with the land and customs of the day; a spiritual appreciation of the inner significance of Jesus' teaching and effort; a marked ability to set Jesus and Peter and Judas and Mary Magdalene vividly before us as though they were living persons; and an unafraid interpretation of event and instruction so at variance at times with what the church has held and taught.

The reader may not always agree with the writing, but he will enjoy and profit by it, from the first page, which starts with these words: "Mark John was only a boy then, and what he wrote down he learned from Peter;" through every tender page until the last where the conviction dawns on the patrician soul that though he had been clearly seen to have died on the cross of Calvary, Jesus was still alive, and alive forevermore.

From that reading everyone will arise with a warmer love for the Master and a more intelligent zest for the New Testament stories of the Son of Man.

("By an Unknown Disciple," pp. 246. Price $1.50 net. The George H. Doran Company, New York City.)

THE AMERICAN BOARD FACING A CRISIS

Last year the American Board, our great Congregational foreign missionary society, closed its fiscal year with a deficit of $240,000. This year there is imminent a marked increase of that deficit. And that in face of the fact that the moral and spiritual need of the world was never greater; and of the other fact that the evangelistic opportunities confronting our missionaries in China, in the Philippines, in India, in Africa, in Czecho-Slovakia, in Mexico, and among the Moslem people in Turkey are unprecedented.

The friends of this missionary enterprise must make even greater sacrifices than before; but more than this, that large majority of our church membership who have for so long a time given nothing to the support of missions must awake to their duty.

Let earnest prayer be made for the American Board; but more earnest prayer for that portion of our Christian membership that has not yet discovered the duty and joy of missionary giving.

NO ROADS IN CHINA

The famine situation in Shantung is very serious. Splendid work is being done, but many will die in spite of all that can be done.

The problem of transportation is one we Americans can hardly understand, until we have seen with our own eyes. In a large proportion of China the people live in isolated districts and (except in case of flood or famine) raise all they need to live on and have no need or desire for outside communication. One thing which struck me was the lack of even wagon roads, and many of these are being built to carry in provisions.

LOUIS PENDLETON, Peking, China.

CAN AMERICA HELP?

The Near East Relief has issued an earnest ple that the American people who have given so gen erously to the relief of the Armenians ask of thei Government to undertake some measures, whateve measures are practicable and will be effective, t prevent still further murdering and exploitating o that much suffering race.

The Turks are at it again. The relief that ha so abundantly been supplied will have to be re peated over and over again, until the race is actu ally decimated, unless some intervention take place.

What America can do is problematical. She migh at least urge upon the Allies to demand that th unspeakable Turk desist; that with some show o force might be effective. America ought to hav accepted the mandate for that region. Had she don so, peace would be in that land, and by this tim the Armenians would be returning to normal lif and production.

The case today is desperate. Delay is fatal. Th "sweet do nothingness" on our part is tragic; an inexcusable.

STATE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION.

Glendale welcomed the thronging Young Peopl in June at their great Christian Endeavor Conven tion. The Congregationalists were well represente on the program, and in large delegations from th churches.

From beginning to end the convention was con structive, and along practical lines. Such empha sis on certain disputed theological tenets as ha been irritatingly manifest at other conventions wa entirely absent from this one, much to the satis faction of a considerable body of delegates.

There seems now to be no reason why our Con gregational churches and pastors should not joi heartily in forwarding this strong and enthusiasti movement.

Rev. Rowland B. Dodge, Associate Superintenden of the Home Missionary Society, has been selecte to be the State Pastoral Counsellor for the comin year. This is high and well deserved honor for ou brother.

WORD FROM RAYMOND BROOKS.

A Berkeley gentleman has received a letter fro Dr. Brooks dated at Venice, Italy, June 26th. reads in part: "What a strangely fascinating plac this is! No wonder Browning loved it even as h did Florence. Our two and a half days in it wer not enough for the two marvelous galleries ther but we are grateful to have so much. Tomorro we go to Milan for a day on our way to Switzer land, then stop in Belgium on our way to England.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

the opinion of some regular "Council attend- this meeting at Los Angeles from July 1 to 8 equal in interest and value to any the Council neld in recent years. The attendance, consid- the distance which some delegates had to l, was beyond expectation. Out of a possible bership of about 750, the roll-call reported 379 ates present, part of which of course was due e loyalty of some Eastern Congregationalists, part may unmistakably be credited to the at- ions of our Golden State. Massachusetts had elegates present.

e Council started out by electing to its Mod- rship "Safed, the Sage," otherwise known as am E. Barton, who proved to be, as his friends ted he would, a very skilful and democratic er of ceremonies. The Council followed its custom, which once in a while might be hon- in the breach, of electing a negro, and not a faced one either, as an Assistant to the Mod- r.

e valuable feature of each day's sessions was evotional service under the care of Dean Bos- n of Oberlin; whose main theme was "Alive God." The hope was expressed by some that thoughtful addresses might be made avail- in printed form.

ong the more important matters considered decided by the Council were the following:

"Educational Foundation" was authorized for ecuring of funds to care for our Congregational ges in times of emergency and to assist the er institutions to larger strength and value. It is wise at least $500,000 for the year 1922; it so planned in the years to come to accumulate nsiderable permanent fund as a source of gth and confidence at all times, and for the opment of religious education through our col- and acadamies.

second matter of importance was the decision ve the right of way for the next few weeks to American Board of Foreign Missions for the ng of special funds to prevent any further in- e of the debt of the Board. Last year the d closed its books with a debt of one-quarter million dollars. This, as everybody knows, an unavoidable debt, the outgrowth of war tions. This year unless some special effort is orth, the debt promises to be increased by an- one hundred thousand. It was to obviate difficulty that the Council unanimously voted ight of way to the Board. When the appeal de, it is sanguinely hoped that no church or idual will fail to come to the help of this missionary society.

very interesting question before the Council he selection of a successor to Hubert Herring, e accidental death last fall vacated the office eneral Secretary of the Council. This posi- tion is as important as that of an Archbishop or of a Papel Delegate; and few are the men in any de- nomination worthy to fill it. The hour of elec- tion was tense with interest; there were two can- didates before the Council—Charles E. Burton, the nominee of the Nominating Committee, and Carl S. Patton, pastor of the entertaining church, who was nominated from the floor. It was decided that a two-thirds vote would be necessary for an election. There were 331 ballots cast; 221 votes were neces- sary for a choice. Charles E. Burton received 226 and Carl S. Patton 104. In accepting the office and responsibility, Dr. Burton made a very able, impressive and withal humble speech which won to him the loyalty of all delegates present.

The transfer of the Congregational World Move- ment to the Commission on Missions was accom- plished in due course, and to the satisfaction of the churches simplifies our machinery.

The Council celebrated the 'Glorious Fourth" by a trip to Claremont to be entertained by Pomona College. The beauty and strength of Pomona was an eye-opener to many of the delegates,—even to some Californians. About a thousand guests sat down in the Gymnasium to a feast of good things, gastronomical and intellectual. The side trip to the college town was delightful, and informing.

The hospiality of Los Angeles was fine; there was an atmosphere of friendliness everywhere. It is no wonder that the city is growing beyond all other cities on the coast. Many a visitor went away with the resolution in his heart that some day before he died he also would become a dweller in this city of the good angels. The city of Spring- field, Mass., where the Council is to meet in 1923, will have to begin immediately making prepara- tions if it has any expectation of paralleling this hospitality.

One matter the Council should take into its own hands, and no longer leave to the hazards of an inexperienced system,—and that is the matter of publicity. The Los Angeles papers had scarcely anything from day to day concerning these great meetings. Perhaps the New Jersey prize fight loomed too large; perhaps the coming of the Elks obscured the horizon. It matters not what the ex- planation, the paucity of news was inexcusable, and caused no little irritation. The Council ought to have its own Publicity Committee. We hope the Executive Committee of the Council will take this matter under advisement.

Our space will not allow a fuller account of the great meeting; moreover, the editor is on his va- cation. We would refer our readers to the columns of the Congregationalist of July 21st and 28th for a quite complete report of all meetings.

Few things are of vital importance; the crime of these days is that the average man is so ex- hausted with business that he has no time for wor- ship, for friendship, for music, for the essential joys.

PIONEER CONGREGATIONALISTS

By R. C. Brinkerhoff

The Congregational Churches in Southern California are still young in years, but they deserve honorable mention in the church annal of this western country.

Many people now living here, 80 years old, remember when this territory was a part of Mexico; and now without Protestant churches it would still be just like Mexico.

Before California became one of the States, all of the better portion of it, south of Monterey Bay, was held by Spaniards in large ranchos by grants from the Mexican government, and was used for stock raising, as described by Dana in his book, "Two Years Before the Mast." The wealth of this section then, was in flocks and herds, which were slaughtered for the hides and tallow, in the numerous "Matanazas" along the ocean bluffs.

The dry year or famine year of 1863 loosened the grip of the Spaniards on their big ranchos, which they sold to the "gringos" for a mere pittance. With the coming of Eastern people came a demand for Protestant church and school privileges, and the first churches organized were Congregational, because all denominations of Protestants could more easily unite under that form of church government. A few earlier denominational efforts were made to organize churches, but the support was so frail, they did not survive.

The founders of these first churches had many pioneer and frontier problems to solve, whose narration would be very thrilling, but their energy and devotion overcame all obstacles, and their memory should be preserved by a grateful posterity.

The first three Congregational churches in Southern California were organized in the year 1867, after one or two years' labor by pioneer pastors.

The first one was in San Bernardino, on February 17, organized by Rev. J. H. Warren, of the Home Missionary Society, and Rev. Alexander Parker, of Los Angeles, with these ten charter membersbers: M. H. Crafts, Mrs. E. P. Crafts, Mrs. Eliza Peacock, Mrs. Nancy Dixon, Joseph Rowell, Joseph Logsden, Martin Logsden, Mrs. Martha Rowland, Mrs. C. L. Douglass, Mrs. Anna Perdew.

This church has only one charter member living —Mr. Joseph Logsden. It has been a progressive, growing church from the start, and on its 50th anniversary dedicated a beautiful new edifice and church home. The present pastor is H. B. Mowbray.

The next Congregational church organized was in Los Angeles on July 21, by Rev. Alexander Parker, a graduate of Oberlin Theological Seminary, with these seven charter members: Mrs. Amanda Scott, Mrs. M. W. Childs, Miss Betty Childs, Mr. and Mrs. Merrick, Mrs. A. Parker, Mrs. Jotham Bixby.

The members immediately purchased a lot on New High Street, north of Temple, and the First Church was occupied on Sunday mo June 28th, the next year, 1868. The Los A church has no living charter member. The n to a charter member is Mrs. Florence P. Hal who joined about one year after the orga and is living at 219 West Avenue 42. The p pastor is Carl S. Patton.

The third church was organized in Santa bara on September 4, 1867, by Rev. Jose Johnson, with 18 charter members: David dever, Jacob Nidever, Miss Mary Nidever, Nancy Nidever Leslie, Peter S. Brinkerhoff, Elizabeth Brinkerhoff, Miss Alice Brinkerhoff, lif Coe Brinkerhoff, Mr. and Mrs. N. Winton, S. E. A. Higgins, Miss Abigal L. Green, Char Huse, Enoch Covert, Ezra F. Maxfield, Mrs. Dunsher, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph A. Johnson.

The organization services were held in the room of the old adobe Court House, wher preaching service had been held for some m previous. The next year the members erec small church building on Ortega Street. The anniversary found the church in a fine new ing and splendid location on State Street. present pastor is J. H. Batten.

The Santa Barbara church has two living ter members—Mrs. Alice Brinkerhoff Lawton her brother, R. C. Brinkerhoff. They wer youngest members at the organization.

The charter members of the three p churches were all sturdy, God fearing patriot neers and Argonauts, and while they did not over in the Mayflower, they braved the storm dangers of the deep around Cape Horn, wher

"The breaking waves dashed high
On another stern and rockbound coast,"

and they braved the perils by savage Indian perils of hunger and thirst on the Great Am Desert, with ox-teams and prairie schooners. "bore the burden and heat of the day," and blazed the way for a better California, and have answered the divine call, "Well done, and faithful servant; enter thou into the thy Lord."

A. A. C. writes: "The Pacific is another tration of the old adage that the most pr things come in small packages. I enjoy the very much and wish it were large." The wis come true when we have a larger circulation

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America sent last year 750 tons of clothing distributed by the Near East Relief. The sup already exhausted, the need being so great. and more tons are needed from the good pe this bountifully supplied land.

Let me fail trying to do something rathe sit still doing nothing.

WAYSIDE NOTES.

Community Church Messenger, edited by Rev. Watson, pastor at Tehachipi, reports that little church in that town had received ten s since the last issue of the bulletin. The school has been growing apace, and finds sary to preempt the parsonage for its uses. anned to have a creche for the little ones so rents may be able to attend the morning services. The church now has forty-three s, all added to the church since last Novem- ver one hundred dollars have been pledged otion picture outfit for the church.

National Convention of the W. C. T. U. will in the Civic Auditorium of San Francisco ugust 18th to 23rd. It is hoped that the s will send a large delegation of their to be present at this notable convocation. uld help to neutralize the campaign of dis- to our Constitution which the "wet" forces State are entering upon.

Church at Ferndale recently gave a unani- all to Rev. Jessie Getty Heath to become its and she has accepted, to begin her new pas- after her return from the National Council. eath has had a very successful work of two years at Tipton.

Free Cross Church at Fresno had the mis- of being destroyed by fire. The pastor, Rev. Volter, was at Roeding Park at the time in ice upon a church picnic. The church was 1914 at a cost of $50,000. A new pipe organ had been installed at an expense of $3,000 o destroyed. The walls were left standing, windows at one end of the church were red by the heat. Several smaller buildings so burned.

George Austin Charnock has achieved a no- ccess in his San Diego pastorate at Park hurch. When he went there a few months found a handful of people worshipping in a tructure. But Mr. Charnock is not willing to mark time; he immediately began plan- larger things. He felt the first real need Villas was a better building in a better lo- It is an interesting story,—the way he went secure the funds for the new building. Five dollars was thought to be the upper limit ble subscriptions. The first pledge he se- as $5,000; then he used that to get an- 2,500. With such a start and a supper, it difficult for him to secure enough promises ds in hand to begin making plans for a church to replace the old building.

The Congregational World Movement funds of 1920 were distributed as follows: To the three Extension Boards, i. e., Home Missionary Society, Church Building Society, and the Sunday School Extension Society, $235,000. To the Educational Society, $190,683. To the American Missionary Association, $122,433. To the Ministerial Relief, $29,-354. And to the American Board, $199,500. This makes a total of $776,992.

Out of every $100 of the Federal Income, $63 are paid for war, and only $37 are left for all other expenses. For wars past we pay 68%; for wars to come we expend 25%; and that leaves 3% for civil departments, 3% for public works, and 1% for education and science: yet we think ourselves an enlightened people.

HOLDING ALOOF

America is not asked to go to the aid of any European or Asiatic nation, but to the aid of a situation that threatens general disaster. The question is greater than that of a League or the League; it is a question of peace for Europe and Asia and peace for the world.

To most of us it would seem, so far as our own national interests are concerned, that it would be better to share in the councils of the nations when decisions are being made, than to decline to take part in the deliberations, but later to protest against the conclusions reached. The avoidance of dangerous complications lies in participation in international discussions and in their conclusions. Danger lies in holding aloof.—James L. Barton.

INDUSTRIAL FACTS

A compact little encyclopedia of facts related to the industrial problems of the world. It deals with the world unrest; concentration of wealth and control; extent of poverty; low wages; unemployment and long hours. It considers concisely the various proposed solutions of these manifest problems; such as, welfare work, employees' representation, the open shop campaign, trade unions, etc. It discusses briefly, Socialism, Syndicalism and the National Guild Movement. In the last pages it considers Christian Principles, and their bearing upon these problems.

It is a careful and just presentation of the facts of the case; a compact little pamphlet, valuable for reference, and if it is a fair sample of what the series of pamphlets upon "Christianity and Industry" is to offer, the reading public will have occasion to be grateful to The George H. Doran Company for its publication.

("Industrial Facts" by Kirby Page. Paper pp. 32. The George H. Doran Co., New York City.)

GLEANINGS AT THE COUNCIL.

The Congregationalist has been transferred to the Education Society. The past year shows a deficit of $200,000 in the publication of our national paper. This is due in part to taking over the Advance and part to the advance in cost of production. Howard A. Bridgeman, for 34 years connected with the paper, has resigned from the editorship, to take effect at the end of this year. He and Mrs. Bridgeman will have charge of a boy's school in Massachusetts.

A six-cent per capita tax was voted for Council expenses, one cent of which shall be applied on delegates' expenses.

Carl S. Patton in his address of welcome said: "Congregationalism means freedom with fellowship, independence with loyalty: when great things are to be done, small things must be sacrificed. A loose bundle of churches cradled in independency can never make its impression on the world. We must think denominationally. You are not here to view orange groves, or to enjoy our hospitality; but to do a great work in the business of the Church."

One of the speakers brought out the fact that 45 per cent of the population of Los Angeles is to be found in the Protestant churches. In San Francisco it is only 14 per cent.

President King in his Moderator's address said that there are five tasks before us: The spiritual awakening of the children and their training in the home: Training of the children in the church school: Taking our proper share in the care of University students: Training young men for the ministry; and the support of colleges which are out-spokenly Christian. He also censured those who so deny the lordship of Jesus as to put all teaching of the Bible upon the same level, and to put first what he put last, and last what he put first.

In 1880 there were 8000 High Schools in the land; in 1910 there were 14,000. A new High School has been established each day for the past 28 years.

When Dean Brown began his sentence, "I have little sympathy with what Ambassador Harvey—'" the applause was deafening and prolonged. When quiet was restored he remarked, "I see that I need not finish that remark."

There is nothing more melodious or heart searching than the songs of the Fiske Jubilee Singers, who were generous enough during all sessions of the Council.

Over $3,000,000 have been paid in by June 1, on the Pilgrim Memorial Fund. Of the 106,000 subscribers to that fund only 442 have cancelled their pledges. Clarence H. Wilson said, "The drive for this fund is not over yet, because there are many churches which have not as yet made their pledges."

The Council voted that the Pilgrim Memorial Fund Commission go on with their work to make the fund eight million dollars. It also voted that every annuitant receive $500. It also voted that each church should pay one-half of the premi due from the minister.

President McKenzie of the Hartford School of ligion said, "No country can be greater than church; no church can be better than its ministr

Judging from the receipts from the churches the apportionment it was estimated that this y will report $2,000,000 more than were given years ago. The goal is five million dollars per y

The Herring Memorial Fund, to be pledged honor of Secretary Herring, lacks only $1,500 the $20,0000 planned.

"The Congregational church is in a most carious position, because we are interested in eign Mission and social service and education; we are neglecting evangelism.—Robt. E. Brown.

"Only evangelism will save us from a deade formalism and a smug intellectualism,—always peril of the church."—Robt. E. Brown.

FOUR IMPORTANT MATTERS.

By Earl Grey.

I do not recommend recreation as the most portant thing in life. There are at least four o things which are more or less under our co and which are essential to our happiness.

The first is some moral standard by whic guide our actions. The second is some satisfac home life in the form of good relations with fa or friends. The third is some form of work w justifies our existence to our country and make good citizens.

The fourth thing is some degree of leisure the use of it in some way that makes us happy.

To succeed in making a good use of our le will not compensate for failure in any one o other three things to which I have referred, b reasonable amount of lesiure and a good use is an important contribution to a happy life.

What business have we to put a full stop at vary, to regard it as a terminus? Why is it w only the tragedy of Calvary, and miss the tri of Easter? The true symbol of our religion i a crucifix with a dying Christ upon it; but an e grave with an ever-living, victorious Christ abo

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BOOKS RECEIVED.

"Paul's Companions," by David James Bu pp 196. Price $1.25 net. American Tract Society, York City.

"Industrial Facts," by Kirby Page. paper. Price ten cents net. The George H. Doran Com New York City.

"Books as a Delight," by Bishop William A. Q Paper. Price 35 cents net. pp 42. The Abi Press, New York City.

"By an Unknown Disciple." pp 246. Georg Doran Company, New York City.

"Talks To Sunday School Teachers," by L Allen Weigle, Professor of Christian Nurture, University. 188 pages. Third Edition. $1.35 Geo. H. Doran Company, New York City.

"Followers of the Marked Trail," by Nanni Frayser. The Week Day School Series,—George bert Betts, Editor. 232 pages. $1.25 net. The A don Press, New York City.